Biography of Zhigang Peng

Dr. Zhigang Peng is a professor of geophysics in the School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences at Georgia Institute of Technology. His research mainly focuses on active fault zone structures and earthquake physics. Over the past 13 years, he has received a total of more than $2 million research funding from National Science Foundation (NSF), United States Geologic Survey (USGS), National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and Southern California Earthquake Center (SCEC). Dr. Peng has published more than 100 papers in peer-reviewed journals such as Nature Geoscience, Science, Journal of Geophysical Research (JGR), Geophysical Research Letters, etc. His H-index is 36 (from Google Scholar), and his research results have been widely reported by major news and scientific media around the world. He was an associate editor for both JGR and Bulletin of Seismological Society of America (BSSA) from 2011 to 2013, and the editor-in-chief for Seismological Research Letters from 2013 to 2019. He is currently serving as the Board of Directors for the Incorporated Research Institution for Seismology (IRIS), and the president of the Eastern Section of the Seismological Society of America. Dr. Peng is a recipient of the NSF CAREER award in 2010, the Charles Richter Award from the Seismological Society of America (SSA), and the Young Faculty award from the School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences.

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